

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A shaving apparatus, comprising:
a razor cartridge having one or more blades, each having a cutting edge;
a shaving aid dispenser, ~~comprising, having~~
a contact panel disposed adjacent the cutting edges of the one or more
razor blades, and
one or more valves disposed within ~~[[a]]~~ the contact panel, a flow passage
of each of the valves being defined by an aperture extending through the contact panel,
~~which contact panel is disposed adjacent the cutting edges of the one or more razor~~
~~blades,~~ wherein each of the valves is selectively operable between an open position and a
closed position; and
a reservoir for containing a non-solid shaving aid material, wherein the reservoir
is in fluid communication with the one or more valves.
2. (Currently amended) The shaving apparatus of claim 1, wherein each of the one
or more valves includes a male portion and wherein the flow passage of each valve is a
female portion, the male and female portions being shaped to ~~[[that]]~~ mate with one
another.
3. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 2, wherein the male portion and
female portion include substantially conical sealing surfaces that are shaped to mate with
one another.
4. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 2, wherein the male portion and
female portion include substantially spherical sealing surfaces that are shaped to mate
with one another.
5. (Previously presented) The shaving apparatus of claim 2, wherein the
shaving apparatus includes more than one valve, and wherein the male portions of each
of the valves is independent of the male portions of each of the other valves.

6. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 5, wherein the male portion of each valve is biased into contact with the female portion of that valve.
7. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 2, further comprising a support member, wherein the male portions of the one or more valves are attached to the support member.
8. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 7, wherein the support member comprises an elastomeric material.
9. (Previously presented) The shaving apparatus of claim 2, wherein the shaving apparatus includes more than one valve, and wherein all of the valves operate in concert between the open position and the closed position.
10. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 2, wherein the one or more valves are biased in the closed position.
11. (Currently amended) The shaving apparatus of claim 10, wherein ~~the female portions of the one or more valves are disposed within the contact panel, and in the~~ closed position, the male portions are received within the female portions and the male portions extend partly above the contact surface.
12. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 2, wherein the male portions are formed within the contact panel.
13. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 1, wherein the one or more valves are biased in the closed position.

14. (Currently amended) A shaving apparatus, comprising:
a razor cartridge having one or more blades, each having a cutting edge;
a shaving aid dispenser, ~~comprising, having~~
a contact panel disposed adjacent the cutting edges of the one or more
razor blades, and
one or more valves disposed within ~~[[a]]~~ the contact panel, wherein each
of the valves is surrounded by the contact panel and is selectively operable from a closed
position to an open position by applying a normal force to the contact panel that is
sufficient to operate the razor cartridge; and
a reservoir for containing a non-solid shaving aid material, wherein the reservoir
is in fluid communication with the one or more valves.
15. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 14, wherein each of the one or
more valves includes a male portion and a female portion that mate with one another.
16. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 15, wherein the male portion of
each valve is biased into contact with the female portion of that valve.
17. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 16, further comprising a support
member, wherein the male portions of the one or more valves are attached to the support
member.
18. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 17, wherein the support member
comprises an elastomeric material.
19. (Previously presented) The shaving apparatus of claim 14, wherein the
shaving apparatus includes more than one valve, and wherein at least two valves operate
in concert between the open position and the closed position.
20. (Original) The shaving apparatus of claim 14, wherein the one or more valves
are biased in the closed position.